

### NH PRAMS 2018 Oral Health Data Summary

*The New Hampshire Pregnancy Risk Assessment Monitoring System (NH PRAMS) collects data on a variety of topics related to maternal behaviors and experiences just before, during, and just after pregnancy. This summary represents the population of New Hampshire women who gave birth in 2018. NH PRAMS has been collecting data since 2013. Other NH PRAMS publications, including prior years of data and survey questions are available on the NH PRAMS publications page:*

<http://www.dhhs.nh.gov/dphs/bchs/mch/prams/prams-pubs.htm>

#### **Of all women who gave birth in 2018:**

- 92% knew it was important to care for their teeth and gums during pregnancy.
- 74% had dental insurance during pregnancy.
- 57% spoke with a dental or other health care worker about how to care for their teeth and gums during pregnancy.
- 55% had their teeth cleaned during pregnancy.
  - 67% of those with dental insurance had their teeth cleaned during pregnancy; 23% of those without dental insurance had their teeth cleaned during pregnancy (significant difference).
- 17% needed to see a dentist for a problem during pregnancy.
- 12% went to see a dentist for a problem during pregnancy.
- 20% could not afford to go to a dentist or dental clinic.
- 26% of those with no dental insurance needed to see a dentist while 13% with dental insurance needed to see a dentist for a problem during pregnancy (a significant difference).

#### **Of those who needed to see a dentist for a problem during pregnancy (17% of respondents):**

- 66% had a cavity.
- 50% had a toothache.
- 35% had painful, red, swollen gums.
- 25% needed to have a tooth pulled.
- 24% had another problem.
- 41% could not afford to go to a dentist or dental clinic, regardless of insurance coverage.

Oral Health During Pregnancy by Dental Insurance Status-NH PRAMS 2018				
	Had teeth cleaned during pregnancy	Needed to see a dentist for a problem during pregnancy	Went to see a dentist for a problem during pregnancy	Needed to see dentist for a problem during pregnancy but did not go to see a dentist
Of those with dental insurance during pregnancy	67%	13%	12%	1%
Of those with no dental insurance during pregnancy	23%	26%	11%	15%

Oral Health During Pregnancy by Health Insurance Status-NH PRAMS 2018							
	Knew it was important to care for teeth and gums during pregnancy	Had dental insurance during pregnancy	Had teeth cleaned during pregnancy	Talked with dental or other health care worker about how to care for teeth and gums during pregnancy	Needed to see a dentist for a problem during pregnancy	Went to see a dentist for a problem during pregnancy	Needed to see dentist for a problem during pregnancy but did not go to see a dentist
Of those enrolled in insurance other than Medicaid	94%	86%	66%	66%	14%	12%	2%
Of those enrolled in Medicaid	89%	41%	25%	33%	25%	11%	14%

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